



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**Jack Dalrymple**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**  
SEPTEMBER 2015

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15; this tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our nation's young people each year; and

**WHEREAS**, one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle with cancer. Many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

**WHEREAS**, founded more than 20 years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and sister organization, Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. are dedicated to helping these children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor nationwide Courageous Kid recognition award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery in fighting the battle against childhood cancer.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim September 2015, **CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.

  
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Jack Dalrymple  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
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Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State